services, he started the SREC's monthly newsletter for which he also wrote and photographed. It became the precursor of the statewide Penn Lines magazine. Mr. Nicholson served on numerous committees within the National Rural Electric Association and was chairman of its Marketing and Energy Management committee. Additionally, he was active with the statewide Pennsylvania Rural Electric Association, where he served on the Power Supply and Engineering Committee, Transmission Policy, and Risk Management Committees and co-chaired its Consumer Choice Marketing and Consumer, Employee and Board Education Task Force committees.

He has been named Pennsylvania Rural Electric Association Man of the Year (1992), the organization's highest honor.

In addition to his many career-related credits and initiatives, he has served his community in a variety of other capacities. They include Managing Editor of the Meyersdale Republican; board member and past president of the Meyersdale Lions Club, on the Economic Development Committee of the Southern Alleghenies Planning and Development Commission: was a charter member and secretary of the Long Range Planning Committee with the Somerset County Vocational Technical School; served on the board of the Appalachian Intermediate Unit 8 serving the area's school districts; served for sixteen years including as president on the Meyersdale Area School Board: member of the Somerset County Chamber of Commerce; and a member of the Partnership for Rural Industrial Development Enterprises (PRIDE) as Secretary.

Harold Nicholson has been and continues to be an outstanding member of his community. I wish him all the best for a fulfilling and happy retirement to enjoy with his wife, four children and nine grandchildren.

IN HONOR OF THE FRANCISCAN FRIARS

HON. NANCY PELOSI

OF CALIFORNIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, November 2, 2000

Ms. PELOSI. Mr. Speaker, I rise to pay tribute to the Franciscan Friars. The Franciscan Friars of the Santa Barbara Province have been compassionately responding to the needs of San Franciscans since 1887. It is my pleasure to honor them for their tremendous contributions on the Fiftieth Anniversary of one of their most successful projects, the St. Anthony Foundation.

The Franciscan Friars improve our city through their work at St. Boniface Church. For years, they have been feeding the poor and homeless and caring for those in need. In particular, the Friars have ministered to the immigrant communities of San Francisco's Tenderloin District, first with the German community and expanding more recently to the Hispanic, Vietnamese and Filipino communities.

The St. Anthony Foundation was founded by Franciscan Friar Alfred Boeddeker, while pastor of St. Boniface Church, to "feed, clothe, heal and shelter the needy, empower the powerless, and promote a social order in which all persons flourish." Today, the Foundation serves an extraordinary number of people with their drug rehabilitation, food, health, housing,

and other social service programs. The Franciscan Friars have provided the spirit, vision, and direction for the St. Anthony Foundation to complete 50 years of service to the most marginalized in our community.

The Franciscan Friars and the St. Anthony Foundation make San Francisco a better place. Their selfless dedication to those in need calls us to a higher standard. It is my honor to commend them on fifty years of service through the St. Anthony Foundation.

THANK YOU TO ADAM TUNE FOR SERVICE ON MY STAFF

HON. BART GORDON

OF TENNESSEE

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, November 2, 2000

Mr. GORDON. Mr. Speaker, I want to give thanks and special recognition to an intern in my office, Adam Tune

Adam attends my alma mater, Middle Tennessee State University. While still in high school he managed to work 25 hours each week, took college level preparatory courses and maintained good grades.

Interns play an invaluable role in helping congressional offices function efficiently and effectively, often performing the most thankless but essential tasks required. Adam pitches in where ever and when ever he is needed, never complaining and always accomplishing his work on-time and of the higher quality.

Adam loves politics and admires this institution. This high regard is reflected each and every day in his attitude and dependability.

Adam has been an invaluable member of my staff and deserves the highest praise for his contribution.

It has been a pleasure to have Adam Tune serve in my office and I join my staff in thanking him for all his hard work.

TRIBUTE TO ROXCY BOLTON

HON. CARRIE P. MEEK

OF FLORIDA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, November 2, 2000

Mrs. MEEK of Florida. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to pay a special tribute to Florida's pioneer feminist, a great woman, and a friend, Ms. Roxcy Bolton. There are not many people around like Roxcy, and I am so proud to recognize her many accomplishments.

She is a trail blazer, a persistent advocate, a remarkable woman. She put the spotlight on women, showcased their problems, and encouraged other women to take action and expand the fight for equal rights. She has proven time and again that one person can make a difference.

Roxcy O'Neal Bolton was born in 1926 in Mississippi. She became a businesswoman and was active in community and political organizations. She married Commander David Bolton U.S.N. who was later president of Men for the Equal Rights Amendment (ERA).

In 1966, Bolton helped form Florida's National Organization for Women, serving as charter president of the Miami Chapter and National Vice President in 1969.

In 1972, she founded Women in Distress, a non-profit agency providing emergency housing, rescue service and multi-discipline assistance to women in situations of personal crisis. It was the first women's rescue shelter in Florida

In 1974 she was instrumental in establishing the Rape Treatment Center, the first of its kind at Jackson Memorial Hospital in Miami. That same year, Bolton organized Florida's first Crime Watch program to help stem crime against women.

She also founded the Women's Park in Miami and has been the recipient of numerous awards relating to her work in women's rights. In 1984, she was inducted into the Florida Women's Hall of Fame.

Less trumpeted are her countless acts of compassion: for the woman about to be replaced in her job by someone younger and better connected; for the man who is demoted from his city job because he cannot read; for the prostitute working to earn her high school equivalency diploma; for the woman who sleeps and eventually dies on the steps of a downtown church.

It is no wonder why any letter addressed simply Roxcy, Coral Gables, Fla. arrives in due course at Bolton's house.

Mr. Speaker, Ms. Bolton has been called, and rightly so, South Florida's "Mother of Feminism". I strongly believe that my state of Florida is a much better place for women . . . and all people . . . because of Roxcy Bolton. On behalf of the people of the 17th Congressional District, I salute her.

A TRIBUTE TO AMELIA MARY HALLE HINKLEY

HON. BILL McCOLLUM

OF FLORIDA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, November 2, 2000

Mr. McCOLLUM. Mr. Speaker, today I pay tribute to Amelia Hinckley, of Warner Robins, Georgia, who passed away on September 22, 2000. Amelia, or Amy as she was known to her friends and family, was born in West Palm Beach, Florida on December 29, 1962, to Roger and Phyllis Halle.

She graduated from Stetson University in Deland, Florida, in 1984 with a double major in History and Spanish. On December 29, 1984, Amy married James Hinckley, also a Stetson graduate. Amy was a talented and dedicated educator. She began her teaching career in Texas, where she taught English as a second language to disadvantaged children of inner-city Dallas, Texas.

After several years, she and Jim moved to Florida where she nurtured new immigrant children in Central Florida. Amy loved every minute of her work. When her husband got a job as the junior high school band teacher in Warner Robins, Amy found a home at the Stratford Academy in Macon, Georgia, where she taught Spanish to high school students for nearly nine years.

Amy was a kind and loving woman, who was very involved in her community. She was a member of Faith Lutheran Church in Warner Robins, where she was active as a pianist for the Praise Band and also served as their organist. Amy was an avid traveler—organizing and chaperoning annual trips to Spain and

France with her Stratford students. The itinerary for those trips always included lots of learning and lots of fun.

Mr. Speaker, the state of Florida, the Stetson graduating Class of 1984, and the community of Warner Robins will miss Amelia Mary Halle Hinckley and the wonderful contributions she made to everyone she touched.

TRIBUTE TO BILL WILLIAMS

HON. JOHN J. DUNCAN, JR.

OF TENNESSEE

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, November 2, 2000

Mr. DUNCAN. Mr. Speaker, at the end of this calendar year, another remarkable chapter in the history of East Tennessee will come to an end. Mr. Bill Williams, co-anchor of Channel 10 News (NBC), will soon be retiring.

Mr. Williams is one of East Tennessee's most highly respected broadcast journalists. Seen every weeknight on WBIR-TV's top rated newscast, Bill is recognized for his superb handling of the daily news and for his compassion in dealing with human issues. He is best known for "Monday's Child," an adoption program originated by Bill back in 1980 and broadcast weekly on Action 10 News. More than 570 of the special needs children introduced on the program have found permanent homes and loving families.

Since joining the WBIR news team in 1977, Bill has been recognized frequently for his contributions to broadcast journalism. Included among his many other honors are the Brother-hood/Sisterhood Award presented by the National Conference of Christians and Jews and induction into the "Silver Circle" by the National Academy of Television Arts and Sciences.

In May of this year Bill was awarded an honorary Doctor of Divinity degree from Carson Newman College, and "Child Help U–S–A" honored Bill with that organization's annual "Angel Award," in recognition of his tireless efforts on behalf of area children.

After 23 years on the 6:00 p.m. and 11:00 p.m. desk, Bill is now easing into retirement and will be leaving in December. However, Bill plans to remain a part of WBIR for a long time, especially continuing his hosting of Monday's Child, the Children's Hospital Telethon and Mission of Hope.

Mr. Speaker, I know that I join with the citizens of the City of Knoxville in congratulating Bill Williams for his service and devotion to the people of East Tennessee. I wish him well in the years to come. I ask my fellow colleagues and other readers of the RECORD to join me in thanking Bill Williams for his many years of service and contributions to East Tennessee. Our Nation is certainly a better place because of people like Bill Williams and his family.

TRIBUTE TO BILL BARRETT OF NEBRASKA

SPEECH OF

HON. DAVID MINGE

OF MINNESOTA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, October 31, 2000

Mr. MINGE. Mr. Speaker, I rise to add my comments to the many voices honoring BILL

BARRETT, the honorable gentleman from Nebraska, who is retiring from a long career of public service at the end of this Congress.

Congressman BILL BARRETT has been a valuable and influential voice in agriculture. He has served his constituents well, and has been an able leader in the House of Representatives. Congressman BARRETT came to the House with a background in community service in local government, a member of the Nebraska Unicameral Legislature, and with business experience in a 3-generation firm specializing in insurance and real estate. This foundation of government and business has served him well in his ten years in the House of Representatives. During his years of service he has gained the respect and admiration of members on both sides of the aisle.

Mr. Speaker, I have served with Congressman BARRETT on the Agriculture Committee and have come to appreciate his leadership as Vice-Chairman as well as his role as Chairman of the General Farm Commodities, Resource Conservation and Credit Subcommittee. His close and frequent contact with his constituents, combined with his seniority has made him an effective leader in Congress. As we have faced difficult decisions he has always worked hard on behalf of his constituents, and with respect for his fellow Members. I share his concern for balancing the federal budget and for wise and disciplined use of tax-payers money.

As Chairman of the General Farm Commodities Subcommittee, he has extended his courtesy to me as we brought an oversight field hearing in Minnesota, lending his influence to issues of conservation and preservation of the environment in Minnesota.

I am especially proud to have worked with Congressman BARRETT as we served as two of the four co-chairs of the Alcohol Fuels Caucus. During our work to promote ethanol, I have found Congressman BARRETT to be innovative and enthusiastic in his advocacy on behalf of all corn growers. Through co-authorship of bills supporting the usage of renewable resources in the production of energy, he has helped to provide economic opportunity for agricultural producers, a self-sustaining energy program, and a cleaner environment for the nation.

This legislative body will miss the wise and thoughtful influence of one of its leaders. I will miss a good friend and colleague.

CENTRAL NEW JERSEY RECOGNIZES REV. DAVID H. MCALPIN, JR., FOR HIS SERVICE TO THE COMMUNITY

HON. RUSH D. HOLT

OF NEW JERSEY

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, November 2, 2000

Mr. HOLT. Mr. Speaker, I today pay tribute to an individual who, throughout his long and distinguished career has been tireless in his efforts to help the people of central New Jersey and the Nation. This Friday, November 3, Rev. David H. McAlpin, Jr., is being honored as he steps down as president of the Trenton Area Habitat for Humanity. I want to take this moment to thank him and Habitat for Humanity for their long service to the Nation and its needs.

We are all very familiar with the fine work that the Habitat for Humanity does in providing affordable housing and creating safe, self-sustaining communities. Habitat has built over 61,000 houses throughout the world for needy families. Their programs are a classic example of providing opportunities for deserving Americans, through their selling of completed houses with no-interest mortgages to families who complete 500 hours of work hours or "sweat equity," earned through participating in other building projects.

Reverend McAlpin, as president of the Trenton Area Habitat for Humanity, has worked with over 2,000 committed volunteers to provide decent housing for all low-income central New Jersey residents. Since its inception in 1986, Trenton Area Habitat has completed 39 houses in the Trenton and Princeton areas. I join with the people of central New Jersey, and the nation in congratulating him on his fine efforts and the work of Habitat for Humanity. His example shows us all what the American people can be capable of if they all come together to solve the Nation's problems.

Reverend McAlpin is truly a remarkable citizen who sets an example for us all. I urge all my colleagues to join me in recognizing his dedication to our community and the needs of our Nation.

HONORING DONNA MCPHERSON

HON. GARY G. MILLER

OF CALIFORNIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES Thursday, November 2, 2000

Mr. GARY MILLER of California. Mr. Speaker, it is with great honor that I honor Ms. Donna McPherson, an operations supervisor, at the Pomona, CA, Social Security Administration Office.

Ms. McPherson has been with the Social Security Administration since 1989. She began her career with the agency at the Ontario, CA office as a claims representative and was later promoted to her current position of operations supervisor in Pomona, CA. She currently facilitates a variety of Social Security Administration outreach forums and ensures that the work of those under her supervision is completed in a timely and accurate manner. Additionally, she is the direct liaison for congressional inquires.

The outstanding work of Ms. McPherson has been recognized by many. She has received the annual Special Act Award numerous times. This award is given to Social Security Administration employees who excel at their duties above and beyond what is required, or accomplish something unique on the job. Ms. McPherson has done both, and as a result, she received this award in 1991, 1993, 1997, and 1999. In addition, she has also received the Performance Award which recognizes a continual commitment to the job and outstanding performance in all areas of the workplace, and the On the Spot Award for her problem-solving skills.

When she is not excelling in her responsibilities at the Social Security Administration, she enjoys spending time with her family and friends, attending to the numerous cats and dogs under her care, and playing Bunko. Ms. McPherson is also active with her church and devotes much of her time to the women's prayer group.